

# IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

## RETURN

OF

## PROCEEDINGS

UNDER

"THE LAND LAW ACTS;" "THE LABOURERS (IRELAND)  
ACTS, 1883-1891;" AND "THE LAND PURCHASE ACTS,"

DURING THE MONTH OF

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## IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

## MONTH OF MARCH, 1900.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law Acts," up to the 31st day of March, 1900; also of Proceedings up to same date under "The Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1883-1891," and under "The Land Purchase Acts."

## COURT OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

## I.—FAIR RENT.

(a.) *In Court.*

## FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	196,678		Rents fixed—		
Applications received in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	291	196,879	By Chief Commission to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	4,694	
			" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	29	4,723
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	10,570				
Do. in month of Mar., 1900, . . . . .	21	10,591	By Sub-Commissions to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	168,347	
			" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	210	168,557
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 28th Feb., 1900, . . . . .	30,068				
Applications received in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	7	30,075	Disposed—		
			To 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	9,258	
Number of Cases under the "Redemption of Rent (Ireland) Act, 1881," which were treated as Applications to fix Fair Rents,* to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	1,284		In month of March, 1900, . . . . .	6	9,264
" received in March, 1900, . . . . .	11	1,295			
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	1,458		Stuck out—		
Do. in month of Mar., 1900, . . . . .	—	1,468	To 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	36,929	
			In month of March, 1900, . . . . .	14	36,944
Applications by Joint Tenants or Tenants in Common to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them, under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1886," to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	475				
Do. in month of Mar., 1900, . . . . .	2	477	Withdrawn†—		
			To 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	15,107	
Applications by Joint Tenants or Tenants in Common to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them, under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1886," transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	40		In month of March, 1900, . . . . .	4	15,111
Do. in month of Mar., 1900, . . . . .	1	41			
Total, . . . . .	—	240,826	Total disposed of, . . . . .	—	234,589

\* These cases are also included in Redemption of Rent, Table (ix.), page 5.

† An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

## SECOND STATUTORY TERM

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term to 28th Feb., 1900,	51,825	52,415	Rents Fixed— By Chief Commission to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	922	1,035
Applications received in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	590		" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	113	
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	3,702	3,745	By Sub-Commissions to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	25,259	26,100
Do. in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	43		" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	841	
			Dismissed— To 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	433	642
			In month of March, 1900, . . . . .	10	
			Struck out— To 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	5,328	5,462
			In month of March, 1900, . . . . .	134	
			Withdrawn*— To 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	915	922
			In month of March, 1900, . . . . .	7	
Total, . . . . .	—	56,160	Total disposed of, . . . . .	—	34,161

\* An application to fix a Fair Rent was withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

## (b.) Out of Court.

## FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 44, fixing Fair Rent to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	122,471
Do, . . . . . in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	338
Total, . . . . .	122,809

## SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in form 44, fixing Fair Rent for a Second Statutory Term to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	22,347
Do, . . . . . in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	834
Total, . . . . .	23,181

## II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.†

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Redemption of Holdings, &c.): Applications received to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	1,851	1,872	Number disposed of to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	2,696
Applications received in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	21		" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	13
Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Redemption of Holdings, &c.) transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	43	43		
Do. in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	—			
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present tenancies (Form 33) received to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	1,063	1,063		
Applications in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	—			
Total, . . . . .	—	2,978	Total disposed of, . . . . .	2,709

† The first notice of Application to the Court, seeking an decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, a valuation of interest, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is treated as Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2).—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1888,*	55	Leases or Grants declared void to 31st May, 1900.	22	
		" in month of June, 1900.	—	22
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st May, 1900.	30	
		" in month of June, 1900.	—	30
		Applications withdrawn or compromised to 31st May, 1900.	3	
		" in month of June, 1900.	—	3
Total,	55	Total disposed of	—	55

\* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1888.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887."—FORM 32.

Number of Applications received to 31st May, 1900.	19	Applications granted to 31st May, 1900.	6	
" in month of June, 1900.	—	" in month of June, 1900.	—	6
" Transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 31st May, 1900.	3	Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st May, 1900.	11	
" in month of June, 1900.	—	" in month of June, 1900.	—	11
	3	Applications withdrawn to 31st May, 1900.	3	
		" in month of June, 1900.	—	3
Total,	—	Total disposed of,	—	20

V.—PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1883-1891.

Applications received to 31st May, 1900.	4,358	Seats fixed to 31st May, 1900.	3,936	
" in June, 1900.	81	" in June, 1900.	—	3,936
		Applications dismissed, struck out, and withdrawn to 31st May, 1900.	411	
		" in June, 1900.	—	411
Total,	4,439	Total disposed of,	—	4,347

## VI.—APPEALS TO FAIR RENTS, &amp;c.

## FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Number of Appeals lodged to 31st May, 1900, . . . . .	50,235	Number heard to 31st May, 1900, . . . . .	25,210	
" in month of June, 1900, . . . . .	56	" in month of June, 1900, . . . . .	90	25,290
		Number dismissed or struck out to 31st May, 1900, . . . . .	801	
		" in month of June, 1900, . . . . .	—	801
		Number withdrawn to 31st May, 1900, . . . . .	21,895	
		" in month of June, 1900, . . . . .	38	21,933
		Total Number disposed of, . . . . .	—	47,964
		Remaining to be disposed of, . . . . .	—	3,377
Total, . . . . .	50,341	Total, . . . . .	—	50,341

## SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Number of Appeals lodged during Second Statutory Term to 31st May, 1900, . . . . .	15,452	Number heard to 31st May, 1900, . . . . .	4,593	
" in month of June, 1900, . . . . .	365	" in month of June, 1900, . . . . .	47	4,640
		Number dismissed or struck out to 31st May, 1900, . . . . .	—	
		" in month of June, 1900, . . . . .	—	—
		Number withdrawn to 31st May, 1900, . . . . .	2,413	
		" in month of June, 1900, . . . . .	191	2,604
		Total Number disposed of, . . . . .	—	7,264
		Remaining to be disposed of, . . . . .	—	8,743
Total, . . . . .	16,007	Total, . . . . .	—	16,007

## VII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885 AND 1888.

	Number	Amount.
Loans applied for to 31st May, 1900, . . . . .	29,179	£ 11,452,066
" in month of June, 1900, . . . . .	—	—
Deduct Applications refused, . . . . .	29,179	11,452,066
	3,811	1,459,426
	25,368	9,992,640
Loans sanctioned to 31st May, 1900, . . . . .	25,368	9,992,640
Loans sanctioned in month of June, 1900, . . . . .	—	—
	25,368	9,992,640
Loans issued to 31st May, 1900, . . . . .	25,368	9,992,640
Loans issued in month of June, 1900, . . . . .	—	—
	25,368	9,992,640

## VIII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1891, 1896.

	Newen.	Amount.	Newen.	Amount.
Loans applied for to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	28,888	£ 3,730,816		£
Less applications since withdrawn, . . . . .	48	12,982		
Loans applied for in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	28,841	8,717,834	28,394	8,578,430
	553	160,596		
Loans applied for (Section 40, Act, 1896), to 28th Feb., 1900, . . . . .	887	254,452		
" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	58	14,882	945	269,334
Loans applied for (Redemption of Rent Act, 1891), to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	109	106,594		
" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	—	—	109	106,594
Loans applied for (Section 43, Act, 1896), to 28th Feb., 1900, . . . . .	17	325,355		
" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	1	1,830	18	327,185
Loans applied for in cases of Purchase of Estates (Section 5, Act, 1885), to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	2,835	749,767		
" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	—	—	2,835	749,767
Total number of Loans applied for to 31st March, 1900, . . . . .	—	—	33,301	10,351,310
Less applications refused to 31st March, 1900, . . . . .	1,045	428,538		
" " in cases of Purchase of Estates (Section 5, Act, 1885), to 31st March, 1900, . . . . .	1,077	503,944	2,122	730,782
Loans sanctioned to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	23,341	7,111,352	31,179	9,600,528
" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	1,087	356,871	24,338	7,468,223
Loans sanctioned (Section 40, Act, 1896), to 28th Feb., 1900, . . . . .	887	254,452		
" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	58	14,882	945	269,334
Loans sanctioned (Redemption of Rent Act, 1891), to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	109	106,594		
" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	—	—	109	106,594
Loans sanctioned (Section 43, Act, 1896), to 28th Feb., 1900, . . . . .	17	325,355		
" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	1	1,830	18	327,185
Loans sanctioned in cases of Purchase of Estates (Section 5, Act, 1885), to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	1,758	447,523		
" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	—	—	1,758	447,523
Total number of Loans sanctioned to 31st March, 1900, . . . . .	—	—	27,168	8,618,839
Less applications rescinded to 31st March, 1900, . . . . .	—	—	110	24,052
Loans issued to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	18,393	5,855,250	27,058	8,594,807
" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	550	145,318		
" (Section 40, Act, 1896), to 28th Feb., 1900, . . . . .	887	254,452	19,143	6,001,368
" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	58	14,882		
" (Redemption of Rent Act, 1891), to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	84	82,619	945	269,334
" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	—	—		
" (Section 43, Act, 1896), to 28th Feb., 1900, . . . . .	17	325,355	84	82,619
" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	1	1,830		
" in cases of Purchase of Estates (Section 5, Act, 1885), to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	1,758	447,523	18	327,185
" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	—	—	1,758	447,523
			21,945	7,128,359

## IX.—REDEMPTION OF RENT (IRELAND) ACT, 1891.

Applications received to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	1,458	Number of cases in which Consents to Redemption of Rent have been received and cases treated as Agreements to Purchase to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	169	
" in March, 1900, . . . . .	17	Number received in March, 1900, . . . . .	—	169
		Number of cases in which no Consents were received and which were treated as Applications to fix Fair Rents* to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	1,284	
		Number of cases in which time had expired for receiving consents in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	11	1,295
				1,464
		Number of cases in which applications have been received but where time for lodgment of consents has expired, . . . . .	—	11
Total, . . . . .	1,475	Total, . . . . .	—	1,475

\* Applications treated as Fair Rent cases are also included in Fair Rent Table (x), page 5.

## CIVIL BILL COURTS.

## MONTH OF MARCH, 1900.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law Acts," as notified to the Irish Land Commission, up to the 31st day of March, 1900.

## I. FAIR RENT.

## (a) In Court.

## FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	32,327	Rents fixed to 28th Feb., 1900, . . . . .	18,371	
Applications received in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	49	" in month of Mar., 1900, . . . . .	—	18,371
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 28th Feb., 1900, . . . . .	4,089	
	32,376	" in month of Mar., 1900, . . . . .	—	4,089
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	4,375	Applications withdrawn* to 28th Feb., 1900, . . . . .	503	
Applications received in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	2	" in month of Mar., 1900, . . . . .	—	503
	4,377	Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 28th Feb., 1900, . . . . .	12,058	
Applications to fix Fair Rents in Civil Bill Courts under sec. 6 "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," when an agreement is pending, to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	2,371	" in month of Mar., 1900, . . . . .	31	12,089
Applications received in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	1	Applications by Joint Tenants, or Tenants in Common, to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," transferred to the Irish Land Commission to the 28th Feb., 1900, . . . . .	40	
	2,372	" in month of Mar., 1900, . . . . .	1	41
Applications by Joint Tenants, or Tenants in Common, to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	119			
Applications received in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	7			
	126			
Total, . . . . .	—	Total disposed of, . . . . .	—	34,973

\* An Application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be refused where applications to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.



## SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	7,684	Rents fixed to 28th Feb., 1900, . . . . .	1,865	1,954
		" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	89	
Applications received in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	135	Applications dismissed or struck out to 28th Feb., 1900, . . . . .	219	219
		" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	—	
		Applications withdrawn* to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	84	84
		" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	—	
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission, to 28th Feb., 1900, . . . . .	3,702	3,745
		" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	43	
Total, . . . . .	7,319	Total disposed of, . . . . .	—	5,002

\* An Application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

## (b.) Out of Court.

## FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form No. 44, fixing Fair Rent to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	7,332
Do, do, in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	—
Total, . . . . .	7,332

## SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 45, fixing Fair Rent for a Second Statutory Term, received to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	126
Do, do, in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	—
Total, . . . . .	126

## II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.\*

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.); Applications received to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	642	Number disposed of to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	353	353
Applications received in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	—	" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	1	
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present Tenancies (Form 33) received to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	3	Transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 28th Feb., 1900, . . . . .	42	42
Applications received in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	—	Transferred in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	—	
Total, . . . . .	645	Total disposed of, . . . . .	—	395

\* The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance of lease, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2).—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 28th February, 1888,†	6	Leases or Grants declared void to 28th Feb., 1900, . . . . .	—	
		" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	—	
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 28th Feb., 1900, . . . . .	6	
		" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	—	
		Applications withdrawn or compromised to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	—	6
		" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	—	
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	—	
		" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	—	
Total, . . . . .	6	Total disposed of, . . . . .	—	6

† The fee invited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 28th February, 1888.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887"—FORM 38.

Number of Applications received to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	22	Applications granted to 28th Feb., 1900, . . . . .	3	
" in month of March, 1900, . . . . .	—	" in month of Mar., 1900, . . . . .	—	3
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 28th Feb., 1900, . . . . .	4	
		" in month of Mar., 1900, . . . . .	—	4
		Applications withdrawn to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	1	
		" in month of Mar., 1900, . . . . .	—	1
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 28th February, 1900, . . . . .	3	
		" in month of Mar., 1900, . . . . .	—	3
Total, . . . . .	22	Total disposed of, . . . . .	—	11

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